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Japanese Patent Application No.2000-33732 (Publication No.2001-221824) is discussed in the specification of the present application on page 13.

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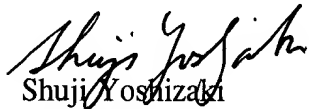
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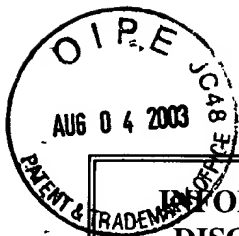
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